

## 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Minutes of the proceedings of the **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** meeting held on this day in the **Council Chambers, Town Hall, Wokingham** from 19:30 to 21:00.

### **PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr A Waters

Councillors: Cllr Mrs A N Drake, Cllr C George, Cllr K Morgan, Cllr I Shepherd-Dubey and Cllr T Lack.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Technical Officer – Miles Thorne

Cllr G Hewetson

Mr T Johnston (local press)

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr M Ashwell, Cllr M Richards and Cllr N Campbell-White.

### **MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)**

None received

### **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OR PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)**

None received.

### **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES (Agenda Item 4)**

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr K Morgan and it was that the Minutes of the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018 (pages 15625 to 15628) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**RESOLVED  
29790**

### **MONITORING REPORT (Agenda Item 5)**

The Monitoring Report dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 was received and considered.

### **Bell Foundry Lane**

The Chairman stated that he has not as yet been able to contact Stuart Munro to discuss this issue. He will contact Stuart Munro and report back at the next P&T Committee Meeting.

### **TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION (Agenda Item 6)**

Cllr C George raised the issue of safety as lorries and vehicles turning onto Market Place where pedestrians are. The view of the Committee is that there should be some sort of boundary such as trees or plants to discourage vehicles.

Cllr K Morgan raised issues of vehicles causing tyre markings on Market Place.

Cllr T Lack raised the issue of Taxis moving onto surface Market Place as a rank. This needs to be addressed and policed.



All these points will be raised at the next Market Place Working Party Meeting.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

### **HIGHWAYS MANAGEMENT IN TOWN CENTRE (Agenda Item 7)**

The Chairman clarified to the new P&T Committee member (Cllr T Lack) what this section of Agenda deals with.

Cllr K Morgan stated he will speak about some of these issues separately in Agenda item 10.

### **MARKET PLACE TRO (Agenda Item 8)**

The Chairman went through the Experimental TRO (supplied by Josie Wragg of WBC) section by section. He stated that he had spoken to Anthony Pollock from Highways WBC and that he would welcome proposals from the P&T Committee.

There were general comments on the following;

- Concerns of entrance and behavior of vehicles driving through Market Place.
- The signage is not clear enough. Some signs positioning is not easy to see while driving through.
- Enforcement needs to be in place.
- Confusion over different parking and loading times around market Place.

#### **RESOLVED 29791**

It was proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Cllr I Shepherd-Dubey and that  
1/ The Disabled Parking Bays (Northern arm and Eastern arm) should be distinct and better marked.  
2/ Each Disabled Parking Bay marked and defined.

#### **RESOLVED 29792**

It was proposed by Cllr C George and seconded by Cllr A N Drake and that the current Loading only 7am-7pm/limited waiting 30 minutes no return 30 minutes 7pm-7am (Northern and Eastern arm) be changed to the following;

Loading only 7am-3pm/Limited waiting 1 hour no return 1 hour 3pm-7am  
(Northern and Eastern arm)

This proposal would be to allow residents more flexible parking in Market Place.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**



## **STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING (Agenda Item 9)**

This Agenda item was postponed until next P&T Meeting as requested by Cllr M Richards as he was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

## **WOKINGHAM HIGHWAYS QUALITY OF WORK (Agenda Item 10)**

Cllr K Morgan presented his report on the bad quality of highway works within Wokingham Town.

The Chairman asked P&T Officer to forward this report to the Wokingham Town Council Mayor (Cllr J McGhee-Sumner) and Anthony Pollock at WBC.

The Chairman will arrange a meeting with Wokingham Town Council Mayor (Cllr J McGhee-Sumner) and Anthony Pollock at WBC to discuss these issues and review the Report.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER AND THE CHAIRMAN**

## **COMMITTEE'S BUDGET (Agenda Item 11)**

A report on the Committee's budget as of 31st July 2018 was received and noted.

**RESOLVED  
29793**

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Agenda Item 12)**

The following applications were received and considered and it was that the Committee would make comment as shown.

### **181735          39 & 41 Lowther Road**

Application to vary condition 2 following the grant of planning consent APP/X0360/W/17/188184 (for the proposed erection of 2no detached 4 bedroom, two storey dwellings and new access driveway) in order to extend the garage, add rear extension to plot 1 plus include Integral garage to plot 2.

Objection on the following grounds:

- Scaling and Massing
- Overdevelopment
- Overlooking Neighbours

### **181290          Land to the rear of 3 & 4 The Bowers Wokingham**

Permission in principle application for the proposed erection of 2 to 8 dwellings.



Objection on the following grounds:

- Outside of the SDL
- The Proposal for 8 houses was overdevelopment
- CP3 detrimental to other residents
- Building in designated countryside
- No wildlife and diversity study presented

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

**INFORMATION ITEMS (Agenda Item 11)**

Cllr K Morgan would like to add an item to next meeting Agenda – discussion on a Health and Wellbeing Report that he has produced.

